



Meeting Notes

High Point Community Center Addition: Project Advisory Team Meeting October 9, 2001, 6:30 to 8:00 PM, at High Point Community Center

PRESENT: PAT members Tina Narr, Susan Harmon, Hillary Warren, Lee Dietrich, David de la Fuente, and David Stubblefield (attending for Elizabeth Stubblefield)

Katie Gray/SW Sector Parks and Recreation Manager, Mike Brady/Parks Community Center Coordinator, Mark Johnson/Parks PM

Discussion of Siting of the Addition:

Two possible sites for the additional program space were studied by Parks: a single-level addition to the existing building on its south side, and a separate new building near the southwest corner of the park. The new building would require parking be constructed to serve it, while the addition could use the existing parking to meet nearly all of its parking requirement.

The following points were made in the discussion:

- Views from north side of existing building would be valuable if an addition was made there, but such an addition would displace existing parking, adding costs to build new parking to the project.
- A separate building would exacerbate the perception of separation between members of the community, an existing problem in the community.
- Suggestion to look at the comprehensive plan for an addition idea similar to our concept.
- David de la Fuente, YMCA and also chair of all service provider groups, suggested that the community center should complement spaces and programs offered by other service providers in the neighborhood (Library, YMCA, SHA).
- Suggestion to hold a public meeting to get input prior to selecting a design consultant.
- David de la Fuente noted that High Point community demographics are changing: there are now 2000 low-income people; in 5 years there will be 2000 low-income, 200 moderate-income, and 200 higher-income people.

Volunteers for Consultant Selection Review Committee:

Mark Johnson, Parks project manager, asked for volunteers from the PAT for the consultant selection review committee. The following members volunteered to serve:

Susan Harmon

David Stubblefield (for Elizabeth, maybe)

David de la Fuente

Meeting Adjourned: 8 PM

Contact Information:

Mark J. Johnson, Project Manager
Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation
Planning and Development Division
800 Maynard Avenue S. 3rd Floor
Seattle, WA 98134-1336
(206) 684-0978
mark.johnson@seattle.gov